

**Question for written answer E-002259/2021  
to the Commission**

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**Subject:** Treatment of Italian nationals in the Republic of Ireland returning from abroad

Since 15 April, Italy has been included by the Irish Government on the list of EU countries for which a mandatory 14-day hotel quarantine is required, at the traveller's expense. Without prejudice to the prerogatives of each Member State to regulate entry into their national territory, the treatment of Italians returning to Ireland from Italy is causing great concern and inconvenience.

Under recent regulations issued by the government in Dublin, Italians, as well as nationals of other countries, are subject to a mandatory quarantine regime that involves being isolated in extremely expensive approved facilities under restrictive conditions, such as being able to go outside only a few minutes a day.

On Thursday 22 April, the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) updated the European disease map, highlighting a clearly improved epidemiological situation in Italy.

In the light of the above:

1. What is the Commission's view of this, namely of Ireland's treatment of Italian nationals?
2. Would it consider urging Ireland to take less onerous measures in respect of Italian citizens returning to Ireland?

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